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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director/Intelligence

SUBJECT: Suggested Item for DCI Diary

1. At the informal invitation of the Planning Staff of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Research and Development, Department of the Air Force, representatives of CIA attended the initial meetings of a USAF ad hoc planning team and its subordinate panels on 11-13 August.

2. The purpose of this team is to prepare development planning objectives for the guidance of the research and development effort intended to improve USAF intelligence and reconnaissance capabilities. This research and development effort covers a wide variety of items, including conventional and unconventional airborne reconnaissance vehicles, cameras, monitoring equipment, library techniques, intelligence dissemination systems, etc. Panels of this planning team are making a survey of the basic needs of all phases of USAF intelligence and the capabilities and potential of all sources of information to meet these needs.

3. CIA was asked to participate in order to reflect over-all strategic intelligence needs and to provide general breadth to the USAF study. The following members of CIA have attended panel meetings on a liaison basis:

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4. A definite proposal for more integrated CIA support of this project will be submitted after examination of the planning team's work, which is to be discussed at its next meeting on 8 September 1952.

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